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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1 IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE
TAGS: OVIP MO EG SS XF
SUBJECT: KING'S TRAVEL TO EGYPT UNLIKELY; SAUDI VISITOR

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1. CITING RECENT PRESS REPORTS OF AN IMPENDING VISIT BY KING HASSAN TO EGYPT, AMBASSADOR ASKED SENIOR PALACE OFFICIAL JAN 10 WHETHER ANY TRIP BEING PLANNED. SOURCE DENIED THAT KING HAD ANY PRESENT INTENTION TO TRAVEL TO EGYPT. ANOTHER SOURCE WITH GOOD CONTACTS IN PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE TOLD EMBOFF THAT GOM IRKED AT REPEATED PRESS REPORTS COMING OUT OF EGYPT. GOM OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY FEEL THAT EGYPTIANS TRYING TO FORCE HASSAN'S HAND. SOURCE ALSO NOTED THAT NO SECURITY, LOGISTCAL, OR INFORMATION ELEMENTS OF THE GOM HAVE RECEIVED ANY INDICATION THAT ROYAL TRAVEL IS PENDING.

2. WHILE WE DO NOT ENTIRELY RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF HASSAN
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TRAVELLING TO THE MIDDLE EAST AT SOME POINT, IT DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE IN THE CARDS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, AND IN ANY CASE WOULD MOST LIKELY BE KEYED TO SOMETHING MUCH MORE SPECIFIC THAN A NOW REDUNDANT GESTURE OF SUPPORT FOR SADAT. THE GOM IS CONCERNED, HOWEVER, AT BOUMEDIENE'S TRAVEL IN THE AREA AND THE POSSIBLE EROSION EFFECT HE MIGHT HAVE ON THE GOM'S SAHARA POSITION. SAUDI PRINCE ABDULLAH IBN ABDELAZIZ, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT,

ARRIVED IN RABAT AND SAW KING JAN 12, PRESUMABLY REPORTING ON
BOUMEDIENE'S TALKS WITH THE SAUDIS.
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